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Reggie Wassana

Governor

CHEVENNE and ARAPAHO

TRIBES

Gilbert Miles
Lieutenant Governor

EXECUTIVE BRANCH AMENDED EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-01

WHEREAS as of April 3, 2020, there has been 988 cases of COVID-19 confirmed in the State of Oklahoma, with 38 deaths, and the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention has identified the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 as "high" both globally and in the United States; and

WHEREAS there are 37 positive COVID-19 cases within five (5) counties in the Cheyenne and Arapaho service area; and

WHEREAS as COVID-19's impact continues to evolve, it is important to take measures to protect Cheyenne and Arapaho employees and tribal members against this threat; and

WHEREAS after consultation with the Legislators and employees within my administration, it is necessary to extend the closure of our tribal offices and casinos in an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, REGGIE WASSANA, Governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, in accordance with the authority invested in me, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. There is hereby declared an emergency caused by the threat of COVID-19 to the Cheyenne and Arapaho employees, tribal members and to the public's health and safety.
- 2. All tribal and casino operations will continue to be suspended in accordance with this Order until further notice, with the exception of essential programs and employees.
- 3. Tribal casino operations and decisions regarding employees and the facility operations will be made by casino management with the best interest of the employees being first and foremost considered.
- 4. All tribal government employees will be paid their regular salary through April 18th, 2020.
- 5. Employee furloughs for both casino and tribal employees will be necessary as the coronavirus continues to infiltrate our state and communities and tribal resources

- are negatively impacted. Employees will be notified of the furlough and will be assisted with the application process if needed.
- 6. It is the intent of this administration that all employees will return to their jobs when the federal, state, and county officials deem it safe.
- 7. Essential service employees and offices will continue to provide services on a limited basis to the extent that social distancing can be practiced
- 8. In the event that Tribal purchasing procedures cannot be followed during this pandemic, due to a national stay-home order or other similar orders or reasons, authorized personnel may make necessary emergency purchases to fulfill the purposes of this declaration, not to exceed \$5000.00, and only with the written consent of the Governor. All such purchases must be readily identifiable as such, as following the conclusions of this threat, all such necessary emergency acquisitions will be audited to determine if they were made for emergency purposes.
- 9. All casino and tribal employees and tribal members are highly encouraged to continue following the recommendations and mandates relating to interaction with the public provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that as soon as thereafter possible, this Order be filed in the Office of Records and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this Order.

This Order is not intended to, and does not, create any rights or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, its departments, programs, entities, officers, employees, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto signed this Order on this 3rd day of April, 2020.

Reggie Wassana, Governor Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes